California Fire Safe Council, Inc. California Fire Safe Council Block Grants II: Project Summaries

- 1. 0046: Tulare County RCD/Sequoia FSC: Southern Tulare County CWPP
 This project will address communities at risk in the Southern third of Tulare County.
 (The other two-thirds are being addressed in other CWPPs.) It will focus on areas adjacent to watersheds and federal lands and provide a prioritized blueprint for fuel reduction projects in this part of the County. Overall cost is \$54,000 in grant funds, primarily for contractual costs. Matching funds of \$10,000 will be from use of FSC personnel.
- 2. 0010: Tulare County RCD/Sequoia FSC: Northern Tulare County CWPP This project is similar to the above, except that the area of focus is the Northern third of the County. The bulk of the grant funds will go for consultant fees, and the \$10,000 in match is labor donated by FSC personnel.
- 3. 0083: Amador County FSC: 2007 Pioneer/Volcano Planning Unit CWPP
- 4. 0084: Amador County FSC: 2007 Pine Grove Planning Unit CWPP While Amador County has an overall, generic CWPP, it needs to contain area-specific solutions to local issues, designed with broad local stakeholder input. This will be done for each of the 9 planning units; these projects address 2 of these units. Both budgets will use \$50,000 in grant funds (\$5,000 in Personnel, \$30,000 in Contractual, \$7,500 in supplies and \$7,500 in Other) and provide \$2,500 in match (donated labor from FSC).
- 5. 0202: Mariposa County FSC: Planning, Coordination and Education Expenses Over 50% of the County is public lands, but there are also various tribal lands and a large population of senior, low income and disabled residents. There is very little local media, so public education needs to be done first-hand through meetings, personal outreach using volunteers, and creation and dissemination of a local Wildfire Awareness Calendar. This grant will primarily pay for staff salaries to coordinate a diverse array of prevention and assistance activities. It also includes a bookkeeper's services, insurance and staff travel. Of the total \$69,911 in grant funds, \$48,486 will be personnel costs and fringe benefits, \$3,000 for travel, \$5,225 for supplies, \$900 for contractual help and \$10,500 for miscellaneous expenses. The \$7,800 in match will be donated labor by FSC volunteers.
- 6. 0153: FSC of Nevada County: Nevada County Emergency Preparedness and Defensible Space Education Program
 - This program will educate newcomers and others about the dangers of wildfire and the need for the creation and maintenance of defensible space and evacuation routes. Some of the community resources that will assist are the Chipping Program, Drop Offs and Special Needs programs. The project includes preparation of an evacuation folder to help residents collect key information needed in case of evacuation, be prepared for disasters, and be informed about evacuation routes and centers. Total grant funds would be \$80,200, of which \$72,300 would be used for supplies, \$3,400 for personnel costs and \$4,500 for miscellaneous expenses. The \$1,770 in match would come from volunteer labor and the donation of a few supplies.

7. 0061: Regents of the University of California: Fuel Treatment Monitoring and Educational Publications

This project proposes to analyze data collected through another grant to lead to the development of a model that will relate maintenance retreatment to flame height. This will help FSC personnel to evaluate the effectiveness of previous fuel reduction efforts and more accurately determine when retreatment is needed to provide a flame height of less than 4 feet. The information will also be used in preparing educational materials which will provide accurate, logical standards for retreatment efforts which can be widely disseminated. The total grant funds are \$55,520, of which \$42,550 are personnel and fringe benefit costs, \$3,800 for travel, and \$9,270 in indirect costs. The subrecipient will contribute \$23,200, primarily in donated staff time and a small amount for supplies.

8. 0064: Yuba Watershed Protection & FSC: Inventory and Geographic Reference of Fire Fighting Water Resources

This project proposes to use GPS to assist 5 fire districts to locate and inventory water sources in their jurisdiction. A contractor will transfer the data into a GIS layer to be shared with state, federal and local fire agencies, which will be a valuable resource for firefighting teams in case wildfire should strike. Of the total grant funds of \$55,900, \$50,000 is in contractual fees and \$5,900 in indirect expenses. The \$2,000 in match will come from volunteer time donated by the FSC.